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BULLETIN
OF THE
TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB.

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§ 71. **Proceedings of the Torrey Club.**—The regular monthly meeting of the Club was held at the New York College of Pharmacy, Tuesday evening, Aug. 10th. In the absence of the presiding officers, Dr. J. W. Barstow occupied the chair. There were fifteen members present.

Plants Exhibited.—Dr. Barstow exhibited a specimen of *Sarcodes sanguinea*, Torr., from California. Mr. A. Brown exhibited a large number of interesting adventive plants gathered in Eighth Avenue, near the Harlem River. Among these was *Galeopsis Ladanum* L., var., *angustifolium*, which he stated was growing there in great abundance. Mr. Bicknell displayed a large specimen of *Boletus felleus*, Fr., from Riverdale; specimens of *Typha latifolia*, L., showing fission of the spike; and a specimen of *Cyperus ovularis*, Torr., in which one of the upper leaves had at an early stage been split at its base, and in this aperture had grown a sessile spike of flowers. From the base of the spike sprang another leaf whose apex had grown through a small cleft in the larger leaf, thus enclosing the spike firmly in a sort of net-work. Specimens of *Aspidium Goldianum*, Hook., from White Plains were shown by Mr. O. R. Willis.

Adventive Plants, and New Stations.—Mr. Brown stated that he had recently detected *Paspalum distichum*, L., at Communipaw, N. J., and that *Potentilla fruticosa*, L., had been found by him this season at Tenaflly, N. J. Tenaflly was mentioned as a new station for *Hypericum adpressum*, Bart., the plant having been detected there this summer on the occasion of a field meeting.

Habenaria ciliaris, R. Br.—Attention was called to the fact that at a recent field meeting of the Club at Tenaflly, this orchid was found there in great profusion—several acres of land being thickly dotted with its conspicuous orange-colored blossoms. According to observations made for several years past at this station by a few members of the Club, this species of *Habenaria* appears to flower only each alternate year.

Narthecium ossifragum, Huds. Mr. Leggett, during the course of some remarks on the results of a recent field meeting held at White Plains, stated that he had examined *in situ* the alleged *Narthecium* reported from that locality at the last meeting of the Club, and had positively determined from the leaves (the plant being no longer in flower) that it belonged to quite a different genus. Mr. Leggett's assertion was confirmed by an examination of dried specimens, which were exhibited to the Club later in the evening. The publication of the report before the reception of specimens was an oversight.

Dr. T. E. Wilcox, U. S. A., of Boise City, Idaho, was elected a corresponding member.